[illegible] OF THE [illegible] ISLANDS

Case 31

300. [illegible]
'Tambu' or 'whale teeth money'. Small size with woven native carrying cord 32" Very old 35.00

301. Same but large tooth7" split in half 50.00

302. Same but complete large tooth 7" 50.00

* The first whale teeth came from trade with the Fijians who took canoes and bird feathers in exchange. Every native who is head of a family has a number of 'tambus' put away and they are very important as a standard of value in high social life. They are used in large purchases, buying wives and in certain of the ceremonies. The older the 'tambu' and the deeper the color the higher their value. These are very old from Australian ports.

303. [illegible], [illegible] OF [illegible], [illegible]
Red spondylus shell 'gold standard money' of the area with long string of native fiber and tiny white shell beads. 20.00

Case 32

303. 'Tambu' 5" with long plaited woven cord ending in a white ovum shell 25.00

304. Similar with small native cord. Older specimen 25.00

305. Large ovum shell used as money and also attached to the 'tambus' 4.50

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

306. Native money in form of long belt made of small shell beads and brown coconut discs, separated in compartments by cord strips. Complete belt. Rare 30.00

[illegible]

n frame a board lsplay	2261.	[illegible]. Hair dipped in wet clay and twisted into long strands which were broken off as needed. These old specimens are now extremely rare. V. Long	35.00

307.	Shell money. Small flat shells woven in heavy native fiber for wear on wrist	10.00
308.	Red calico cloth. One of the most important articles of trade used by the white traders was bright calico which was eagerly accepted in exchange for yaris, copra, feathers and other native products. This is a genuine old specimen from the English Opium Museum	10.00
309.	Dutchman Territory, formerly German New Guinea. Large white shells used by whites in buying from natives. Direct from Clay Trading Co. (x)	5.00
310.	Small shell money. Small shells and two sea shells on native woven fiber cord 25"	15.00
311.	Feather money. Rare shaped dark feather on plaited native cord	15.00
312.	Fish hook money. Pearl shell shark spike bound together with native cords" x 3" Rare old	20.00
313.		

314.	Shell money. Flat white disks fastened with small shells and seed pods on native fiber	5.00
315.	Solomon pearl shell ring 3" pendant on string of native shell money of white and deep red shell discs. The white shells represent 'silver' and the red 'gold' which are very rare & of high value	35.00
316.	Bougainville Island, Solomon Group pearl shell 'bulri' of pearl shell crescent shape and worn on breast on" with long native cord and small shell discs. Rare and old specimen	25.00
317.	BRITISH SOLOMONS. Rare shell money worn through nose	10.00
318.	" " Large broad shell ring money3x2 white	10.00

Case 29

[illegible]

319.	Pearl shell dog ring money 7", 2 rows 31 (1)	25.00
320.	Dog [illegible]. Pearl shell dog's tooth 31"	10.00
321.	" " [illegible] in belt. Unusual Tyrell museum (2)	20.00
322a.	Sea spiral shell nowylowe 1" x 22" 11 per	22.00

Case 30

322.	Long money belt. Sea pierced shells fastened on ten sea strands of native fiber. Tyrell museum	15.00
323.	Unique native white shell & brown coconut disc; 15" on native fiber	15.00
324.	Shell earring shell white & red shell disks 4"	5.00
325.	Old Samoan sea [illegible] fish tooth money 51" with center hole 3/4" T. Tyrell	35.00

[illegible] Fish Tooth [illegible]

325.	Necklace of reel dog teeth on native fiber 15" (very old and very rare Tyrell museum)	35.00

126.	Large great pendant shell money. 7 long broad flat tooth shaped shell pendants fastened thru wood cross bar. Twelve string small bell shape shells on a long native cord. Very old. Tyrell	34.00
127.	Door tusk with double string of white and deep red shell discs on native cord. Very old	23.50
128.	Shell ring 21" with hanger of woven native cord with small bell shaped shells	47.50
129.	Small shell arm ring 2½ to which attached shell	16.00
130.		

131.	Flat pearl shell ring money 4 discs 2½ to 4" Melbourne Museum	22.00
132.	Long string woven native cord used in the interior for small trade	5.00
133.	Solomon Island, Central Division small round stone disc money similar to spindle whorls 1/2" to 1½ with center hole. Grey stone (6)	18.00
134.	Tobacco stick. American tobacco heavy soaked with liquorice was been one of the principle media used in buying from the natives or in paying their services. See Fundamental 1901. Old strip 7 x 1½ x 1/4"	10.00

page 35		[illegible]	
	335.	long [illegible] 12" [illegible] native [illegible] with borders of small [illegible]'s tear shells	[illegible]
	336.	[illegible] 13" [illegible] covered [illegible] row small white shells on native fiber [illegible]	[illegible]
	337.	[illegible] district. strong small white and red trade beads 11"	[illegible]
	338.	[illegible] River [illegible] small [illegible] shell [illegible]	[illegible]
	339.	[illegible] white shell [illegible] [illegible] 5"	[illegible]
	340.	[illegible] white shell [illegible] 50 [illegible]	[illegible]
	341.		
page 40	342.	[illegible] long string very old [illegible] shell [illegible]	[illegible]
	343.	[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] money	[illegible]
	344.	[illegible] string red, white - [illegible] trade bead money	[illegible]
	345.	[illegible], [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] very old & strange small [illegible] shaped shell money in [illegible] larger shell. [illegible] these are usually found attached to the edges of the rubber [illegible] money.	40.00
	346.	[illegible] 11" string, white shell & [illegible] [illegible]	[illegible]
	347.	" " shell porcelain trade beads. [illegible] importance of these [illegible] trouble	[illegible]
	348.	[illegible] shell [illegible] & white [illegible] trade beads with [illegible] shell pendant	4.50
	349.	" small red (carnelian) trade beads (?)	[illegible]
	350.	[illegible] [illegible]. very old small [illegible] native [illegible]	[illegible]
	351.	[illegible] (general) very old very small [illegible]	8.00
	352.	[illegible], [illegible] River 2" shell [illegible] white native [illegible] bead	3.00
	353.	" " 2" [illegible] shell [illegible]	5.00
	354.	[illegible] [illegible] or [illegible] [illegible] shell [illegible] [illegible] used in [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] and other [illegible] These are rare 34"	25.00

Case 41	354.	small stone money 7" hole 1/4" Tyrell Museum	30.00
Tyrell Trend	355.		
	356.	About 30 [illegible]. black seed disc money 50 rex	4.25
	367.	" [illegible]. " " 25	3.00
	368.	[illegible] long string small coconut discs on native cord Tyrell	5.00
	369.	" same but these are large (1/2") very thin	15.00
	370.	[illegible] small white shell money	3.00
	371.	" long belt of three strands coconut discs divided by list shell dividers. 7 old rexs	40.00
	372.	" [illegible] between small conus shell discs. 2 " [illegible] 100 rex	7.00

[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

373. Three string very old small shell money ending in larger shell. See 'feather coil' story [illegible] $1.00

374. [illegible] shell ring money 4" [illegible] a rare one [illegible] $15.00

375. [illegible] shell ring money, odd shape 3½" [illegible] $15.00

376. " [illegible] Breast Pendant 5" called 'Kap-Kap' $5.00

FEATHER MONEY

377. Feather stick money, round, 12" long. Attached to which is three strings of small shell money with larger shell at end. $10.00

378. Same, round, but no shells attached. Lengths

379. " square " " "

These tiny feathers are mounted on pointed sticks so they can be worn in the hair. This is the 'small' of every day money and is called '[illegible]

380. VERY OLD COIL FEATHER MONEY

381. [illegible] COIL [illegible] FEATHER MONEY

STORY OF [illegible] THIS COIL..... One day in browsing in an old book shop I ran across an old copy of National Geographic which contained a picture showing the natives on [illegible] island with a large coil of FEATHER MONEY. Had never heard of such a thing. Wrote to President Grosvenor who supplied the names of several members of the expedition. Tried to contact them and after two years finally located one who was publishing a small newspaper in Texas. He did not have his records but remembered there was one old white man on this small island and gave me his name. I wrote asking if a coil of this rare money could be bought. He replied that a coil was available but could not be bought but could be had in trade. He asked a certain sum in English pounds be deposited to his account in a New Zealand bank (his share I presume) and that I ship him [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] and a few other items I have forgotten. In about six months I received a beautiful full coil (Lot 381) about 30 feet long, three inches wide and made of the tiny red topknot feathers of the tiny honeybird which are mounted one on the other on a base of hibiscus root. These tiny birds (smaller than our humming bird) are caught by placing sticky lime on the branches of trees. The tiny feathers of the head are plucked out and the bird released. [illegible]. Later correspondence brought the feather sticks, the old coil (380) and the other kinds of money which he [illegible] for certain magazine subscriptions he wanted me to send.

[illegible]

382.	[illegible] Long string white shell and coconut disc 24"	18.00
383.	Smaller but smaller discs	2.50
384.	Ten band money of woven fiber in many bright colors and sizes and [illegible] (3)	18.00
384.	Heavy interwoven green fiber	3.00
385.	Collection Purse variation	

[illegible]

386.	[illegible] Hawaiian large rough brass ring money value [illegible]4" [illegible] old rare	20.00
387.	[illegible] old copper brass money	15.00
388.	" "	

[illegible]

389.	[illegible]. Hundreds of brilliant red feathers of 'Kiwi' bird plaited and bound on strip of native fiber. Used to pay tribute and taxes to their King 2 x 6" old & v. rare (Note: The Bishop Museum Honolulu has a copy made of these feathers valued at a million)	25.00

390.	[illegible] long string small reddish pink shell disc money. This is the 'copper' money.	1.00
391.	Very low grade of each another and better made pink shell discs with some white and black discs . This is the 'silver' equivalent	25.00
392.	[illegible] 'tambu' or the pink shell money. There is no. six centrale one.	25.00
393.	[illegible] . long string white shell and [illegible] shell small disc money.	12.50
394.	[illegible], [illegible] group. long string [illegible] (very) large finely polished shell money 1/[illegible] discs. This is the [illegible] money of the area and the finest specimen we have ever seen. [illegible]	75.00

395.	[illegible], long string [illegible] opossum teeth each tooth divided by two small white trade beads	10.00
396.	Long string small teeth divided by two white beads	10.00
397.	" " " horse "	15.00
398.	" " " cow "	10.00
399.	" " with a blue beads individual blue beads represent [illegible] value	[illegible]

All above are very old and no native [illegible]. Very

	400. [illegible]. Arm band money of woven fiber (2)	8.00
	401. [illegible]. similar. bright colors green (2)	8.00
	402. [illegible]. Arm ring money [illegible] shell with 4"	10.00
	403. " [illegible] 4½" rim 1" bore	15.00
	403a " " " 4" rim 3/8"	16.00
	404. [illegible] " [illegible] (2)	10.00
	405. [illegible], [illegible] woven fiber (3)	13.00

Oceanic No 47	406. [illegible], [illegible] shell ring "beads" 4"	15.00
	407. " " not polished	15.00
	408. [illegible] shell flat thick disk, worn on upper arm as sign of wealth. If worn necessary	20.00
	409. [illegible] Port Moresby shell ring money 3 x 1" flat disks with large brown shell attached	12.50
	410. " similar but full with 4 strings white & black trade beads attached.	13.50
	411. Fiji, [illegible] long string of closely plaited hair with very small white shell discs	17.50
	412. " disc [illegible] wood ceramick money	13.00
	413. " " similar but painted green on wood	20.00
Special Box 77 [illegible]	414. [illegible] large woven [illegible]. Our original specimen disintegrated and we obtained this from Australian Museum in trade for the price	30.00
[illegible]	415. " string white shell discs 5"	5.00
[illegible]	416. " "Lap-lap" round pearl shell 5" with extremely delicately carved tortoise shell in center	35.00

Case 48

417. [illegible]. [illegible]. extremely rare specimen as some most complete circle. In which is fastened flatsnite and brown coconut discs, two 'gold' red mesocopus discs and large pods on native fiber. £ 75.00

NOTE: The natives broke off the tusks of the boars so that the upper tusks would grow into a complete circle. These are very rare.

418. [illegible], [illegible], [illegible]. string of red shell discs made from the lip of the mesocopus shell. [illegible] called 'bagi' string has three red trade beads.native cord 20.00

419. " similar but discs are half size and are much smaller. Has 2 black pods at ends also a white shell. Native value £7.50 per foot while round discs alf were £5 12.00

420. " two large mesocopus or the 'bagi' shell with deep red edge from which'bagi' are made 10.00

NOTE: Here we have a perfect example of the 'law of supply and demand'. White shells of all sizes could be found on any beach and to make money from them required skill time and labor but the deep red shell was found only in a certain locality and had to be 'traded' for. This red shell was the 'gold' standard money of these islands.

421. " large pearl shell arm ring money 3½ 2" 15.00

Case 49

422. [illegible], [illegible], [illegible]. New Hebrides Islands small shells on side ground flat plaited into native fiber cord stretched to [illegible] 20.00

423. " similar string without beads tusk 30" 15.00

424. " string small white pearl shell discs along with small brown coconut discs. long string 12.00

425. [illegible], New Hebrides. long string shell discs these four specimens from Malekula Island 18.00

Case 56

426 . Gazelle Peninsula, New Britain Island. Necklace small necklace brass beads with[illegible] teeth 20.00

427. New Britain Blue Glass trade beads (14) 3.00

428. " Native Shell disc rivited by sewn 10.00

429. " Shelly ground off and mounted on rattan 15.00
430. " " " straight strip 3.00
431. " " " native fiber 3.00
432. Celebes Island Small white shell & dark disc 3.00
433. " Necessary quills & white discs 3.00

Case 58

434. [illegible], [illegible]. Crests are bone woven reeds with border of small flat shell [illegible] are full equal one pig. six one wife 35.00

435 . " Long necklace red & white shell discs 3" with teeth wrapped in hair at end and with strings of white trade beads. Melbourne [illegible] 50.00